



Jim Garrison
In Tulane University Hospital

Garrison in hospital since July 9

For nearly two weeks, while Oliver Stone has been shooting his big-budget movie about one of the most important phases of his life, Judge Jim Garrison has been in Tulane University Hospital.

His family has told the hospital to release no information about the former Orleans Parish district attorney except that he was admitted July 9, Tulane Medical Center spokeswoman Fran Simon said.

Staff members at the 4th Circuit Court of Appeal, where Garrison has been a judge since 1978, were equally tight-lipped.

Orleans Parish Coroner Frank Minyard, who has visited Garrison twice in the past week, said he had infected ankles and inflamed blood vessels in both legs.

But after treatment with antibiotics, Garrison looked much better, said Minyard, a doctor who maintains a private practice.

Garrison's investigation of President Kennedy's assassination is the subject of "JFK," which Stone has been shooting for the past two months. Kevin Costner portrays Garrison.

Garrison plays Chief Justice Earl Warren, but he filmed his scenes before his hospitalization.